

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 244

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A RESOLUTION urging the Department of Economic and Community Development to continue the Community Development Block Grant and the FastTrack Infrastructure Development programs in their current forms.

WHEREAS, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Small Cities Program and the FastTrack Infrastructure Development Program (FIDP) historically have been the catalysts to improving the quality of life in the rural areas of all states, including the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG Small Cities Program and FIDP continue to provide critical access to resources to assist rural Tennessee counties in providing for the basic human needs of clean water, decent housing, industrial development, health and safety protection, and opportunities to work in order to support the standard of living enjoyed by all citizens; and

WHEREAS, as operated in the State of Tennessee, the CDBG Small Cities Program and the FIDP focus limited financial resources on those needs that have been clearly identified as priorities in our State until such time that all citizens, regardless of their choice of geographic location in the State, can be assured of their basic human needs; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is pleased to join with the Warren County Commission in its commitment to continue the CDBG Small Cities Program and the FIDP as administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we support the Community Development Block Grant and the FastTrack Infrastructure Development programs in their current forms and structures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we urge the Department of Economic and Community Development to resist efforts to radically change the programs' priorities, thereby depriving our citizenry of basic human needs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an enrolled copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of the Department of Economic and Community Development.